



Salem Fire-EMS News Release

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Structure Fire at 229 Monroe Lane

The Salem Fire & EMS Department responded to a structure fire at 229 Monroe Lane this evening at approximately 6:54 p.m. The building was vacant at the time of the fire and there were no injuries as a result of the fire.

The first units arrived within four minutes of receiving the call and found heavy smoke coming from the building. Crews found a fire inside the structure, and were able to contain it to one room within nine minutes of arrival. The building did sustain moderate smoke damage.

Approximately 18 personnel from the Salem Fire & EMS Department (Engine 1, Engine 2, Engine 3, Tower 1, Medic 802 & Medic 803) and the Salem Rescue Squad (Squad 1) responded to the call.

The fire appears to have started in an electrical breaker box and has been ruled accidental by the Salem Fire Marshal's Office. Damage from the fire is estimated to be \$20,000.

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